

Youth Connections Grant Bidder's Meetings
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Questions and Answers

NOTE MINOR CHANGE: Page 7, 7.C and under the Timeline should read **July 31, 2007 and not June 30, 2007 as the end of the first year grant.**

Is there a cap on what percent of the grant can be used for salaries?

No. Reviewers will look at the budget to see that the rest of the funding needed to run the program has been provided.

Where do you show field trip expenses?

Those costs can be listed on the Travel line of the budget.

What rates can be used for mileage reimbursement, per diem and hotel in the budget?

Applicants may use the state rates of \$.405 per mile; breakfast at \$6, lunch at \$9, dinner at \$15; and hotel at \$68.00 plus tax.

Can a school district foundation also apply for grants, if the school district is applying for three grants? Their tax ID numbers are different.

No. The intent is provide services across the state and a school district and the school district's foundation are viewed as one entity.

May a community-based organization apply for a grant under their tax ID number and perform the grant in a school, if the school is the collaborating partner and not the grant applicant?

Yes.

Can you use USDA funded snacks as a match for the Youth Connections grant?

No, because they are funded through federal dollars.

Can you use grant fees to pay for a national conference fee, if you don't use grant funds to pay for the travel?

No. This may be included as part of the match.

If a program has a grant that is ending, how do they show that their funding will be gone?

You may attach documentation to show the ending date of funding as an Appendix and it will not count in the 10-page narrative limit.

In Section I., when it asks "What is your estimate of the number of children, on average, in your current program?" what number is that?

It refers to a daily average attendance estimate, not a total enrollment of the program.

What do you do if you need some capital improvements to open a program?

The program may show a capital improvement in the match column.

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Where do you put costs for an accountant for your program?

That would have to be included in the 10% administrative costs allowed for the grant.

Do you need a License Exempt letter from the Department of Health to apply for the grant, if the program is legally exempt?

Yes, you would provide that letter, if the program were legally exempt, after the program is open.

Is there a limit on the number of Appendices?

No, but additions should be relevant and not burden the reviewers.

Section II. Demographic Information Chart

These are your best estimates.

Space costs for public schools can be calculated in more than one way to show as match.

The applicant should be prudent in what they show in the in-kind match column and it is expected that the lower of two possible rates would be included in the grant application.

No capital expenditures are allowed with grant money, e.g., items costing \$5,000 or greater.